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Reply to Office Action of December 8, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action dated December 8, 2004, has been reviewed and the comments carefully considered.

In the Office action, various issues and questions are raised concerning the description of the variety. By the amendments in the accompanying Substitute Specification, Applicant has made a bona fide effort to address all issues and questions.

Applicant has submitted in duplicate copies of Figure 1, as requested by the Examiner.

In view of the foregoing amendment and response, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance and, accordingly, reconsideration and allowance is earnestly solicited.

If any questions remain regarding the allowability of the application, Applicant would appreciate if the Examiner would advise the undersigned by telephone.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,
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Amendments to the Drawings:

As requested by the Examiner, a copy of Fig. 1 is attached. This sheet replaces the original sheet.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet for Fig. 1